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DIARY NOTES

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1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning:

a. The Director stated that Mr. Kirkpatrick's Reorganization Group was trying to wind up its work by about 3 March. He requested that each of the Deputy Directors give the Group as much time as it requested in order that the deadline might be met. He indicated that he thought its recommendations were constructive but not revolutionary and also that with the exception of the establishment of the Deputy Director for Research and Development (DD/R) he had not given final approval to any of the recommendations yet. In connection with the establishment of the DD/R, he again expressed his desire to proceed with the setting up of some outside facility to engage in scientific research, etc. He said that we should consider [REDACTED] which is already set up in Boston; he specifically said that he did not want us to be a part of RAND and that we might consider [REDACTED] but he had some reservations about this. Pete Scoville has the responsibility to pursue this matter.

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b. Dick Helms raised the question of the restriction on the movement of certain [REDACTED] Officers in the DD/I Area. He believed that they should be under escort at all times. I pointed out that Bob Amory disagreed with this and the Director instructed me to get together with Bob and Dick as soon as Bob returned next week and see whether we could not come up with a single recommendation as to how these people should be handled. (While on this subject the Director indicated that he was not well impressed with the alertness of the guard on duty at the main entrance who seemed to pay no attention to him when he came in in the morning. The Director assumed that he was not paying any more attention to other people. I explained that the guard had his picture in his instruction book and was instructed not to challenge him. This obviously did not satisfy the Director or relieve his doubts that the situation could be improved. I have talked to Bob

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[REDACTED] about the instruction to make sure that this guard, as well as others, were alerted to look at all badges and suggested that the guard at the main entrance indicate his recognition of Mr. McCone by speaking to him as he enters each time.)

c. We also discussed the Research Assistant which Mr. Dulles has requested. Both Sherman Kent and Ting Sheldon were strongly opposed to anyone from the Agency going on LWOP, and Mr. McCone said he would speak to Mr. Dulles about the matter.

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d. I reported on the President's recent Regulation on "Conflict of Interest." The Director said that he was very interested in this and wanted to finish our survey and take other appropriate action as soon as possible. He also indicated that he had some concern about the Conflict of Interest Regulation as it might apply to the President's Board of Consultants. However, he said that he had spoken to the White House about this matter and we need not regard it as an Agency problem.

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2. [REDACTED] telephoned to request an exception for summer employment for his son who will not be seventeen until August. I agreed that we would test his boy so that if some unusual requirement did develop we could decide whether he should be used. I did not encourage him, however, that we could make an exception without strong justification inasmuch as this would be a precedent which we would have to follow in many other cases. (I have passed this information along to Emmett Echols.)

3. Inasmuch as Mr. McCone was having lunch with David Bell and Elmer Staats of the Bureau of the Budget, I saw him briefly and told him that we had no current problems with the Bureau but alerted him to the fact that Elmer Staats had suggested that we nominate a replacement for [REDACTED]

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4. I arranged to have a car assigned to Pete Scoville on the same basis that cars are assigned to other Deputy Directors.

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5. [REDACTED] was in to talk to me about the reorganization of the [REDACTED] Station which would, among other things, put the Chief of Station in [REDACTED] rather than [REDACTED]. This would require housing in [REDACTED]. I have alerted Jim Garrison to this [REDACTED] asked him to get together with Bob and, even though we could not say exactly when this was going to be or exactly what the requirement was to be, give [REDACTED] as much notice as possible.

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6. I also talked to Bob about a letter which [REDACTED] proposed to send to the Station which would order [REDACTED] home as soon as the school term was completed. I concurred in the draft with a minor amendment which would make it crystal clear that he was being brought home without prejudice.

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7. [REDACTED] reported that he has been instructed to furnish communications for the Director from Thursday, 22 February, to Monday, 26 February, during which time the Director would be at Cat Cay, some eighty miles off the coast of Florida. [REDACTED] is trying to arrange the use of WH [REDACTED] boats. If he cannot do this, we will have to charter some kind of boat on which to install communications equipment.

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8. Jim Garrison said that he felt it was essential to get NPIC clearance for [REDACTED]. I approved and told him that if he had any difficulty to let me know.

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9. [REDACTED] telephoned to talk to me about getting [REDACTED] to be the Chief of Support for WH [REDACTED]. He proposed that Jack come home early in order to fill this job. I told him that I did not object to this on a short-term basis if Jack wanted to do it. He agreed to draft a proposed cable, to obtain [REDACTED] concurrence, and to send it to me for consideration. 25X1A9a

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